COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL

(1) DEPARTMENT Planning and Building	(2) MEETING DATE 5/6/2014	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Ryan Hostetter, Senior Planner\(805) 788-2351		
(4) SUBJECT Request to approve Amendment #1 to the Original Contract with Pacific Municipal Consultants, to provide additional consultant services for Bob Jones Pathway Environmental Impact Report in the amount of \$80,250. District 3.				
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is the recommendation of the Environmental Coordinator that the Board of Supervisors approve and sign Amendment #1 to the Original Contract with PMC to provide additional consultant services for the Bob Jones Pathway Environmental Impact Report.				
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) Park Public Facilities Fee and Grant Funding	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$80,250.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00		(9) BUDGETED? Yes
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT { X } Consent { } Presentation { } Hearing (Time Est) { } Board Business (Time Est)				
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS { } Resolutions { X } Contracts { } Ordinances { } N/A				
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) 19000822			(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? N/A BAR ID Number: { } 4/5 Vote Required { X } N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP	5) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT?		(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY	
Attached			{ } N/A Date: January 26, 2010	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW Lisa M. Howe				
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) District 3				

County of San Luis Obispo

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Planning and Building / Ryan Hostetter, Senior Planner

DATE: 5/6/2014

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RECOMMENDATION

It is the recommendation of the Environmental Coordinator that the Board of Supervisors approve and sign Amendment #1 to the Original Contract with PMC to provide additional consultant services for the Bob Jones Pathway Environmental Impact Report.

DISCUSSION

On January 5, 2010, the Board of Supervisors approved an agreement with PMC to prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Bob Jones Pathway project. The proposed project would be a bicycle and pedestrian corridor roughly 4.4 miles long which would connect the San Luis Obispo Octagon Barn (located on Sough Higuera in the City of San Luis Obispo) to the existing staging area at Ontario Road.

The proposed project has undergone several public outreach meetings through the EIR process, and a draft EIR was released for public review in August of 2013. At least thirty comment letters were submitted to the County based on the Draft EIR. Many of these comments expressed concerns with the environmental impacts related to portions of the proposed project and some of them included suggested revisions to the project design. These revisions include alternative routing between Baron Canyon and the Highway 101 Crossing along the SLO Creek Farms property (corner of Monte Road and San Luis Bay Drive), the Land Conservancy farm along Monte Road, San Luis Bay Drive and an undercrossing alternative to Highway 101. Because of this, the County is requesting that additional route alternatives be studied and included into a revised EIR alternatives section.

The original contract did not anticipate these additional tasks, therefore staff is requesting this contract amendment in order for the consultants to conduct the necessary environmental studies and re-circulate the EIR with additional alternatives for public review.

Additional work outside of the Original Contract has been determined necessary, as follows:

- 1) Updated hydraulic analysis, topographic surveys and mapping for alternative routes;
- 2) Expanded biological resource evaluation for new areas;
- Expanded cultural resource surveys;
- 4) Analysis of additional route areas (also known as new alternatives 6A and 6B)
- 5) Additional meetings;
- 6) Amend, re-print and re-circulate the amended draft EIR for public review; and
- 7) Response to comments on recirculated material and prepare the Final EIR.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

Other agencies and county departments involved in this amendment include:

Cal Trans, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, US Army Corps of Engineers, US Fish and Wildlife, Regional Water Quality Control Board, Air Pollution Control District, and County Counsel.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

County General Services Agency- Parks will fund the Contract Amendment with a combination of Park Public Facilities Fees and transportation grant funding. The cost associated with this amendment is estimated to not exceed \$80,250 for the proposed scope of work. In addition, County Counsel has reviewed and approved this contract for form and legal effect and the contract complies with all county contracting policies and procedures.

RESULTS

The EIR, with the additional work proposed in the Contract Amendment, will provide information regarding the environmental effects of the additional project alternatives based on comments from the public review process. This is consistent with the countywide goals of providing a well-governed and livable community. The EIR is one of the documents the decision-makers will consider when making a decision on the project.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Vicinity Map
- 2. Contract Amendment PMC
- 3. PMC Scope of Work